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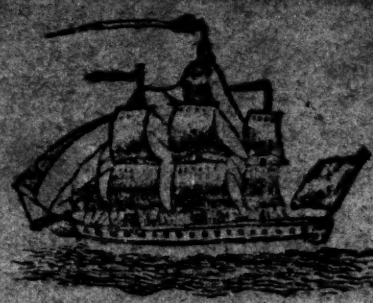
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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1808.

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—and the general tendency of the work such

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ing; to animate the sincere and virtuous; and

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o'clock in the evening, and arrive at Dumfries

by 5 in the morning—Leave Dumfries at 6

and arrive at Fredericksburg by 11 1-2 in the

morning—Leave Fredericksburg at 12 (noon)

and arrive at Richmond the next morning by

6—Leave Richmond at 6 1-2 and arrive at

Petersburg by 11 1-2 in the morning.

Returning, will leave Petersburg every

day at 12 1-2 P. M. and arrive at Alexandria

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more than 2 passengers on any account what-

ever, and not more than 14 lb. of baggage

can be allowed to each passenger.

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had to time—Going south from Alexandria

they will breakfast at Occoquan, dine at Staf-

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Mr. James Russell,

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en Furniture of the deceased—several likely

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November 5.

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### FOREIGN ARTICLES.

|                                   | per. | D. | C. | D. | C. |
|-----------------------------------|------|----|----|----|----|
| Coffee, lb.                       | 26   | 28 |    |    |    |
| Duck, Russia, bolt.               | 28   | 30 |    |    |    |
| Ravens, 15                        | 16   |    |    |    |    |
| Fruit, Raisins, keg               | 11   | 11 | 50 |    |    |
| Indigo, Spanish (Bot.) box        | 4    | 5  |    |    |    |
| Molasses, lb.                     | 2    | 50 | 2  | 60 |    |
| Salt, coarse, gal.                | 45   | 50 |    |    |    |
| fine, bus.                        | 80   | 90 |    |    |    |
| Spices, Nutmegs, lb.              | 9    | 10 |    |    |    |
| Pepper, 22                        | 25   |    |    |    |    |
| Pimento, 28                       | 30   |    |    |    |    |
| Spirits, Brandy (French) 4th gal. | 1    | 50 | 1  | 75 |    |
| Gin, Holland, 1                   | 40   | 1  | 50 |    |    |
| Rum, Jamaica 4th, 1               | 10   | 1  | 15 |    |    |
| Antigua 3d, 90                    | 95   |    |    |    |    |
| Windward 2d & 3d, 86              | 85   |    |    |    |    |
| Sugars, 1st quality, cwt.         | 11   | 12 |    |    |    |
| 2d & 3d, 9                        | 11   |    |    |    |    |
| Tea, Imperial, lb.                | 2    | 2  |    |    |    |
| Hyson, 1                          | 10   | 1  | 15 |    |    |
| Young Hyson, 1                    | 1    | 1  | 10 |    |    |
| Hyson Skin, 65                    | 75   |    |    |    |    |
| Wines, Madeira, gal.              | 2    | 2  | 50 |    |    |
| Port, 1                           | 60   | 1  | 75 |    |    |
| Lisbon, 1                         | 53   | 1  | 40 |    |    |
| Malaga, 1                         | 10   | 1  | 20 |    |    |

### DOMESTIC ARTICLES.

|                           | per.     | D. | C. | D. | C. |
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| Bacon, lb.                | no sales | 9  | 10 |    |    |
| Beef, Mess, bbl.          | no sales |    |    |    |    |
| Prime, cwt.               | no sales |    |    |    |    |
| Bread, Crackers, cwt.     | no sales |    |    |    |    |
| Pilot, lb.                | no sales |    |    |    |    |
| Ship, 18                  | 20       |    |    |    |    |
| Candles, Mould, 16        | 18       |    |    |    |    |
| Dipt, 8                   | 12       |    |    |    |    |
| Cheese, 19                | 20       |    |    |    |    |
| Cotton, Upland, 7         | 50       | 8  |    |    |    |
| Fish, Mackerel, 3         | 75       | 4  |    |    |    |
| Shad, 4                   | 75       |    |    |    |    |
| Superfine, 1              |          |    |    |    |    |
| Grain, Wheat, 40          | 45       |    |    |    |    |
| Corn, none                |          |    |    |    |    |
| Flaxseed, 14              | 15       |    |    |    |    |
| Glass, Window 8 by 10, 25 | 10       | 13 |    |    |    |
| Gunpowder, Keg, cwt.      | 10       | 12 |    |    |    |
| Hemp, 120                 | 125      |    |    |    |    |
| Iron, Barr, bbl.          | no sales |    |    |    |    |
| Pork, Mess, 50            | 55       |    |    |    |    |
| Prime, 44                 | 45       |    |    |    |    |
| Spirits, N. E. Rum, gal.  | 20       |    |    |    |    |
| Whiskey, 100              | 100      |    |    |    |    |
| Sugar, New-Orleans, lb.   | 2        | 21 |    |    |    |
| Loaf, 19                  | 20       |    |    |    |    |
| Lump, 5                   |          |    |    |    |    |
| Tobacco, Maryland, 5      |          |    |    |    |    |
| Potomac, 5                |          |    |    |    |    |

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|                               |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
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| Potomac do.                   | 95                 |
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| Washington Bridge,            | par                |
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To the Editor of the Daily Gazette.

SIR, IN political communities where the people are free to declare their sentiments, their approbation or disapproval of a political measure is no contemptible test of the policy or impolicy of its tendency, and when a people have been the subjects of a long series of acts, intimately connecting their happiness and interests, their decision must necessarily be just and impartial.

When a country is unanimous in support of any administration, and a general approval of its measures and proceedings is apparent; when party divisions are unknown, and what originates in the administrators of law and policy is only appreciated as productive of public good, and conducive to the safety, the advantage and the honor of the community, that government, it may be safely concluded, is politically and advantageously administered. If the people are discontented, dissatisfied or dissentious, and if their sentiments are in opposition to the acts of their government, or are even divided and contradictory, it may with no less certainty, be decided, either that they submit to a species of rule originally incompatible with their views and interests, or that the principles of their state polity are impaired by measures contradictory to their original spirit and tendency.

Without engaging in the controversy, to which the discussion of these conclusions might give rise, the consideration of these second as applicable to ourselves is abundant field for expatiation. If unity of sentiment in a people is indicative of their happiness, good order and prosperity, we have little cause to congratulate ourselves upon their possession and enjoyment. A glance around upon present circumstances, will discover a country divided into opposing and contending parties, unnering the vigor and breaking the force of the directing and acting powers of the state, with all the resulting evils of such a situation. And although it is no object here to descant and dilate upon our disasters and disgraces, nor to call up with invidious scrutiny, every subject of remark and censure, yet must it in justice be observed, that whoever will look back upon the former situation of this country and will compare it with its state at the present, will find an ample explication of its factions, divisions and dissensions. The opposition and bickerings of party, and the dissensions of a great people, will appear neither unaccountable nor censurable; but it will rather seem matter of surprise, that disapprobation and dissatisfaction are not more universal and importunate. A dereliction of those principles, and a relinquishment of those objects, in the establishment, and for the attainment of which, the very best blood of the country was shed, its virtue and talents called into action, and its treasure and resources expended, would, were principles of government better adapted to our situation, and objects more politic, more attainable, or beneficial substituted for them, form the least considerable subjects of regret and animadversion.

But examination will convince us, that the original and essential principles of our government are deserted, whilst those which are adopted in their stead, are novel and untried, contrary to what we have been accustomed to conceive interests most inseparable from a soil, a climate and situation like our own. It will be found that our present administration has persevered in a prosecution of a series of measures, which theorists may approve and commend, but which sound political philosophy will reject as its base and spurious offering; which those whose interests and advantages are immediately influenced and materially affected by them, have censured as impolitic and ruinous, and whose mischievous tendency is luminously evidenced by their effects upon our affairs foreign and domestic. Circumstances demand an investigation, and that investigation should be pursued with candor and with justice, that from the result we may acquire an accurate knowledge of our situation and our prospects, of what we have reason to hope or fear.

It is an observation which will be found to be corroborated by common sense and experience, that when a state departs from the principles which originate in its establishment; and which remain long interwoven with its very existence, and embraces new objects, adopts new principles, and pursues new systems of polity, its strength will be impaired proportionably to the greatness of the innovation. Even when there are radical and palpable defects, if they be not of that magnitude which threatens the destruction of the community affected by them, it is the doctrine of prudence and of wisdom to suffer the inconvenience of unavoidable defect, when reformation would be attended with difficulty and be productive of danger and disturbance. Projected

improvement, however certain and beneficial in effect, if ever attained, is always secondary to present safety.—The happiness of a community is one of those objects seldom obtained and never to be hazarded by experiment or sacrifice to the prospects and probabilities of speculation.—If then even imperfection accompanied by experienced advantages is preferable to probabilities which however have never been experimentally verified, what policy will warrant the relinquishment of immediate and important advantages of a system of measures effective of those ends and productive of those benefits, to the attainment of which a vast expence of blood and treasure were, by the wisdom of elder date, esteemed of inconsiderable moment. Where are the motives which can justify such a desertion, when the objects in view, exclusive of the uncertainty of their utility in the end, are attainable only thro' difficulties which will finally be found insuperable. If such is a fair and impartial statement of facts, and if, as has been asserted, we are led on blindfolded in pursuit of objects and are governed by principles (I will not say that the people have adopted them) which are at variance with those which once influenced and directed us, it will be no demagogue declamation to exclaim, that it is a critical and lamentable period in our political existence.

Look back, sir, upon the measures of the two first administrations that preserved and regulated this country; examine their spirit, tendency and effects, and compare them with our present improvements. But first behold us severing ourselves from our parent on the plea of securing ourselves from arbitrary impositions, which fettered our personal liberty and restrained the trade which gave nourishment and sinew to our state—Trace us next through all the turmoils and difficulties of a long war, and purchasing at an enormous price, tho' not too great for the purchase, an honorable freedom, a government consolidated for the time by the attraction of mutual interests, an extensive and productive commerce, which raised, supported, enriched, and strengthened us. Examination will present us with the policy of that period, judiciously concordant with our natural advantages, and of a tendency to increase and improve them.

As a commercial people we demanded a naval support of such efficiency as would protect our trade and assert the rights of our merchants and seamen. We engaged in an enterprising and expensive undertaking, but one to the offering of which the wishes of our people were heartily and unanimously directed, and the resources of our country abundantly adequate. We laid the foundation of a navy, which in eight years of prudent economy had not intervened might now have vied with those of the most formidable continental powers. Our merchants covered the ocean with their ships, and our raw productions were brought into that circulation and rendered of that utility, which the re-active principle of commercial intercourse invariably produces. The importance originating in wealth and wealth's natural consequence, power, had given us a superiority on the political scale, which every year tended to increase, and the policy pursued by our government was calculated to augment. As an independent nation, with power to ward off an injury, we were prompt to revenge its commission. When our ships were degraded we did not recall them to our ports for safety, but exerted our strength to oppose and repel the enemy that obstructed their free passage over the ocean. We did not in emergencies resort to expedients which only answered for the present, nor by a temporising policy put off immediate difficulties to multiply and magnify them for the future. The principles by which we were then regulated were briefly these:—Desirous of maintaining the civil and political liberty which we had vindicated in the long revolutionary struggle, our constitution provided for both, and the acts of our legislative body were conducive to the same ends. Our soil, climate, and the natural productions of our country, and withal, our situation prior to the separation from Britain, which had disposed the American people to that object, rendered it the unavoidable, tho' advantageous policy of the state, to become highly commercial. Our measures were such as tended, with most certainty and success, to effectuate that object. Having asserted, with our blood, our independence as a nation, it became our duty and our interest to maintain it. In no act was that duty ever betrayed or that interest wantonly or impolitically neglected.

To establish the certainty of the dereliction of these principles, which none will deny to have been those by the guidance of which we were formerly governed, it will be sufficient to glance at some of the leading measures and catch the prominent features of the last eight years administration. And first, with regard to our civil happiness

and civil liberty, it may be observed, that affecting so immediately as they do the feelings which, in every man, are more acute and sensible, and connected with those privileges which all are accustomed to believe most dear and unalienable, a violation of those principles upon which they are founded, and of those laws which are designed to preserve them is immediately perceived and eagerly resented. It may indeed be doubted, whether in the general, or at least in infant governments like our own, where debasement all the generous principles of the soul into a sordid thirst for pecuniary emolument, an encroachment upon the rights of the wealth of a citizen is resented with that spirit which an invasion of his rights as a man and a citizen will excite. Yet have we not been wholly free from infringement of those rights and that infringement of an alarming nature. A measure which, even under despotic authority would be tyrannical and unjust, has been entered into by a minister of a state which rests its base on the most unequivocal and declared principles of civil liberty. A government which subjects the secret intercourse of individuals by means of the public mails to the wanton intrusion of unprivileged and unwarranted authorities is no less arbitrary, unjust and oppressive than the most avowedly despotic of the Asiatic empires. The most desperate emergencies are not to be relieved by acts, the principles of which are of such detrimental tendency. When such procedures are suffered to pass unmarked by a public expression of disapprobation to the perpetrators, or even an inquiry which should satisfy the minds of the people, there is just reason for apprehension and ample ground for censure and rebuke. And it is the part of a free people not to overlook single or trivial encroachments upon their rights, lest perhaps the multiplicity of examples should depart into precedent, and precedent lead the way to more considerable and dangerous innovations.

JULIAN.

[To be continued.]

From the North American.

JUDGE JOHNSON.

THIS respectable judge has condescended to answer the attack made upon his decision of the illegality of the treasury circular regulating the coasting trade. The public will remember that in the course of the summer a long-winded paper was published, containing the opinion of the attorney general, that this decision of the circuit court was not warranted by law. The opinion of the attorney general has therefore ever since been acted upon, in preference to the decision. This obstinacy and disregard of the judiciary, has been acquiesced in by the public, and the embargo laws have been accordingly executed, with the modifications superadded by executive discretion. Tho' this is a novelty in our country, of the most serious and alarming tendency, it is not unsuitable to the various attempts which have been made to bring down the judges to a dependent condition, and to give the executive an equal right of expounding the law, and enforcing its exposition upon the officers, who are subordinate to it. We must be permitted to repeat, that Judge Johnson was raised to his office of a judge of the supreme court, by Mr. Jefferson himself, and that he is a learned, able and upright man. We have not room for the insertion of the Judge's observations entire: we hope, however, they will be rescued from the transitory fate of newspaper publications, by the ingenious and diligent editor of the Law Journal.

In the course of his remarks, the Judge reprehends with an honest and independent spirit, becoming his high station, and essential to the public liberties, which are in his keeping, this unheard of attack, by executive officers, upon the privileges and the respect due to his office. We shall hereafter extract his own words upon this topic. For the present, passing over all technical illustrations, we shall give his remarks upon the arbitrary and illegal exercise of power in the regulation of the coasting trade, by circulars from the treasury department. We presume that they will be found so conclusive, as to create surprise, that such a daring infringement of general right should have been hazarded.

The judge takes up some positions of the attorney general, and answers them.

The first is "that the law gave the collector complete discretion over the subject." The fact is otherwise: the discretion of the collector was limited to a particular case, that of his entertaining a suspicion which he himself admitted could not be entertained with regard to the Resource, or it may be answered thus—The instructions of the executive deprived him of that discretion; the mandate of the court obliged him to act according to the law of congress which had

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committed the interest of his fellow citizens, and not surrender a right of judging which must ever be entirely personal, and which we can never know by what motive Congress may be influenced in vesting in him, instead of any other officer of government.

"The second argument is, that there is a controlling power in the chief magistrate of the U. States." This is equally incorrect in the extent in which it has been laid down, and in which alone it would answer the purpose of the attorney general. The fact is, as has been before shown, that the power of the president to act upon this subject was confined to the particular case of a reference to him upon a previous detention by the collector; and did not authorize the president to prescribe to the collector in what cases he should detain. In cases where the collector had detained upon suspicion, on the dictates of his own judgment, the president could oblige him to discharge, but was not authorized to control him generally, in the exercise of the right of granting clearances in the first instance.

Nothing was easier than for congress to have declared that the president should dictate generally to the collector upon this subject, if such had been their intention. This would have been giving the president that latitude of power which was necessary to justify their instructions, to the collector, but which cannot be exported from the law under which they acted."

#### BY THE LAST MAIL.

NORFOLK, November 2.

To Captain Gibson of the ship Union-Island, 32 days from Liverpool, and some of his passengers, we are indebted for London papers to the 25th of September.

In England the public attention appears wholly engrossed by the late convention in Portugal; the sense of the nation upon that subject will be found in the extracts which we have made, and it is somewhat remarkable, that there is no difference of sentiment on this subject between the ministerial and opposition papers. The removal if not punishment of the British commander in chief is certain. From letters received from the army in Portugal, the indignation of the nation, it appears, is reciprocated to the fullest extent.

From Spain or Portugal nothing important had been received since the date of our former advices. The papers are filled with marches of French armies to the Rhine and the Pyrenees. Bonaparte appears resolved on the reduction of Spain, while he menaces Austria at the same time. The tyrant is aware of the discontents in Germany; as an evidence of which is an intercepted letter from one of the Prussian ministers to a German prince. Austria is armed at all points and nothing can exceed the zeal and loyalty of the people, upon whom the publication of the events in Spain have had a wonderful effect; in vain have the French agents remonstrated against their publication.

The latest papers we have received assert, that information had been received that day that a general insurrection had taken place in the kingdom of Naples, and that all the French there had been massacred or driven out: although this intelligence wants confirmation it is by no means improbable.

The war in the north of Europe has resulted most gloriously to the gallant king of Sweden. The Russians have been driven from Finland with immense loss and complete disgrace. In addition to that loss and disgrace, and the loss of his fleet in the Tagus, fresh mortifications were preparing for the emperor Alexander. His fleet in the Baltic are, no doubt, ere this, in the possession of the united Swedish and English fleets, for which purpose fire ships had been sent from England, and troops were going from Sweden to make a joint attack by sea and land. The emperor of Russia will find himself, it is probable, less in troops 30,000, and in ships 18 sail of the line, besides 12 or 15 frigates—in seamen 8 or 10,000, and in reputation, his loss is incalculable. Our readers will perceive that nothing is more founded than those reports which stated the difference between Sweden and England.

Our London papers say but little on American affairs, except one of the 24th of September, which observes that it is not likely that any adjustment can take place with this government, who in proposing to raise the embargo on our part, and they to rescind their orders in council, have added, as a further condition, the relinquishment of the right to search our merchant ships for British seamen. This has been so often insisted, that a renewal of the demand at this time, has the appearance of a determination on the part of our government to continue their present measures, non-importation & embargo, or to resort to other, and stronger measures.

We have conversed with intelligent passengers, who came out in the ship Union Island, whose information corroborates, what we have before understood, that our embargo is much less regarded by both France and England, than was imagined by even those who disapproved the measure upon the ground of its imbecility.

The public anxiety increases as the period approaches, when our fate is to be decided. In a few days we calculate on being able to determine whether the embargo will be raised or continued. The advocates for the embargo say, that as the causes which produced it continue, it must be continued; this is very unsatisfactory to those who have been brought to the brink of ruin by its deleterious effects. We cannot reflect on the continuation of this measure without the most serious apprehensions; and yet we have no hopes in seeing any alteration, as long as the present men are continued in office. What they will resort to next, we pretend not to conjecture: but we are convinced that national and individual ruin will be the consequences of the continuation in confidence and power of those who direct our affairs. We shall rejoice to find that we were mistaken, and give credit for any measures which may advance the interests of the country.

The following information is written upon a London paper (the Times) of the 24th September:

"London, Saturday, 2 o'clock, afternoon, 24th September, 1808.

"It is believed that the Portuguese have refused to permit the convention to be carried into effect. Accounts from the Baltic just received by the Gottenburg mail—Sir James Saumarez was bombarding the Russian fortifications, and the Russian fleet had offered to capitulate on certain terms, which were refused. The bombardment was expected to recommence."

#### Alexandria Daily Gazette.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7.

On Sunday night arrived at Newport, the brig Jane, Captain Morse, with whom came passenger Captain R. Lee, of the brig Julian, of New-York, which was captured in latitude 15, long. 62, by a French corvette and two brigs, from France, who sunk the Julian with all her cargo and stores. The Jane, in latitude 18, 20, long. 63, was also captured by the same vessels—thirty puncheons rum were taken out, all her stores and a part of her sails, and they were about to sink her, but at length agreed to give her up to several captains to bring them and their crews to America, they giving the commodore security for three thousand dollars.—New-York paper.

By his excellency Thomas Hislop, esq. brig. gen. of his Britannic majesty's forces, and capt. gen. and gov. in chief in and over the island of Trinidad and its dependencies.

#### PROCLAMATION.

Whereas his excellency don Juan de Casas, captain general of the Province of Venezuela and its dependencies, in reciprocity of the benefits conferred on the Spanish nation by his Britannic majesty, to aid and assist their efforts in the great and glorious cause in which they are engaged against the enemy of mankind, the perfidious Napoleon, has been pleased with the advice of his assessor, don Juan Surado, to issue a bando or proclamation dated at Caracas the 1st day of this instant September, of which together with his excellency's letter accompanying it, the following (being translations) are copies.

The captain general of Venezuela, to his excellency the governor of the British island of Trinidad.

"EXCELLENT SIR,

"IN demonstration of my wishes to see the bonds of union which have fortunately taken place between Great Britain and Spain every day more closely connected, and that this union may produce to the individuals of both nations under my government, or who may hereafter come to the provinces of Venezuela, the reciprocal advantages which are the consequences of commerce, extensive, free and protected. I address your excellency an authentic copy of the proclamation, which I have ordered to be published respecting commerce and intercourse with the subjects of his Britannic majesty, and I request that your excellency will be pleased to make it publicly known in the island under your command, provided you think it expedient to do so.

I flatter myself that your excellency unites with me in the vows which I offer up for the glory and success of the noble efforts which our nations are making against the common enemy, and that you will accept this testimony of the distinguished consideration and perfect esteem with which I am

excellent sir, of your excellency, the most attentive, constant and obedient servant.

JUAN DE CASAS.

Caracas, 5th Sept. 1808.

(AUTO.)

"In the city of Caracas, the first day of Sept. of the year 1808. His excellency don Juan de Casas, Knight of the Order of Santiago, Colonel in the Royal army, King's Lieutenant, Subaltern Chief, Commandant-General in second, and actual President, Governor, Captain-General, and Vice Patron Royal of this Province declared: That always attentive to promote by every possible means the prosperity of the country, as well with respect to the extension of its commerce, in the manner most profitable and analogous to its constitution, as to cement the friendship and intelligence that reign with the British nation, which has united with our provinces of Europe, and made a common cause to exterminate the enemy of our government the perfidious Napoleon, and having recently received an authentic document which expressly declares the good will of his Britannic Majesty in favor of Spain, as communicated to parliament assembled by the Lords Commissioners in the following gracious speech: [Here is inserted at full length his Majesty's speech of the 4th of July as delivered by the lords commissioners to both houses of Parliament, beginning with "the recent transactions in Spain and Italy" and then concludes as follows]:

"Whereof I have thought proper to declare and do hereby accordingly declare, that the commerce permitted with the island of Curacao, by an act of the 30th of July last, shall, and is hereby extended to all the colonies of his Britannic majesty, and also to his dominions in Europe, in honor of the friendship and alliance which his majesty professes for preserving the integrity of the Spanish monarchy, and for the prosperity and happiness of all the faithful subjects of our lord and king Ferdinand the seventh.

"And thus his excellency, with the advice of the honorable don Juan Jurado of his majesty's council, honorary oidor of the royal audience, lieutenant governor, auditor de guerra and assessor general of this government and captain generalship, ordered, commanded, and signed, which I the scrivener attest.

JUAN DE CASAS. JUAN JURADO.

Before me, PABLO CASTRILLO, Senior Public Scrivener of Government. Which in compliance with the request of his excellency as stated in his letter and in discharge of my duty to his majesty. I accordingly proclaim in this public manner, that all his majesty's subjects may know it and avail themselves of so distinguished a mark of the favor and confidence of the Spanish nation spontaneously granted in honor of the amity that now happily subsists between the two nations.

Given under my hand and seal and countersign of my secretary, at Government house, Trinidad, the 28th Sept. Anno Domini 1808, of his present majesty's reign the forty-eighth.

By his Excellency's command, THOMAS HISLOP, THOMAS WALKER, Secretary.

N. B. Ports open by this proclamation. St. Thomas at Guayana, Margareta, Cumana Barcelona, La Guira, Porto Cavello, Cera and Maracato.

Extract of a letter from capt. Robert Colfax, jun. of the ship Octavia, from Charleston bound to London, to his father in the state of New Jersey, dated London, July 26th, 1808.

"We were captured the 27th of January last off Dover at 11 o'clock at night, and at 2 o'clock next morning, were landed in Calais prison, where we remained a number of days before we were released; the ship and cargo are detained under the imperial decrees; we were kept five months on prisoners allowance, and not a cent to help ourselves with, having been robbed by the privateer's men of all our money, clothes and in fact every article they could lay their rapacious hands on. I made every possible exertion for relief for myself and people, but all in vain. Myself, however, and a number more ship-masters with difficulty made a journey to Paris, where we represented our situation to our minister, Mr. Armstrong; he informed me it was a government affair, therefore he could not interfere at present, as all such cases would come under a government claim. I took that for a definitive answer and returned to Calais with the rest of my unfortunate companions, where we remained confined to small quarters for five months, at the end of which we were marched through France and Flanders into Holland, many without shoes to their feet, and otherways in a very distressed situation. Unfortunately for me I had not a shoe to my feet for more than two months until we arrived at a place called Ghent, in the interior of Flanders, there

we were supplied with French soldiers shoes; this was a comfortable thing to us, having marched many miles bare footed.— We arrived, after an intolerable tedious journey, at Amsterdam, where we remained until we were put on board American vessels permitted to sail by the Dutch government. In one of them I obtained a passage to the Downs, from whence I took up my line of march on foot to London, in the greatest distress, with a small "handkerchief which contained all the treasure I had," and not a penny in my pocket, which I never knew the want of before. On my arrival I found friends and money—since which I am very comfortable. On a review of the subject I think my fortune rather hard; when I left home I took with me upwards of four thousand dollars in cash and produce, of all which I have been literally robbed, kept five months confined on prisoner's allowance, marched several hundred miles bare footed through an unfriendly country, and seemingly to augment our suffering by the orders of a government who pretend to be our friends."

#### For Charleston & Savannah (Geo.)

Schooner PATSEY, THEODORE SKINNER, master; Will sail in a few days. For Freight of 200 barrels, or Passage, apply to John Gird.

November 7.

#### VESSELS WANTED.

WANTED a vessel of one thousand barrels, to take freight to Salem; and one of seven hundred barrels for Boston.

Lawrafon & Fowle.

November 7.

#### A BALL.

MR. GENERES has the honor to inform the gentlemen of Alexandria that his BALLS will commence on Thursday next, the 10th inst. and will continue once a fortnight during the season.

November 7.

#### LOTTERY INTELLIGENCE.

##### Trinity Church Lottery.

GAIN of the wheel 1st day, 870 dollars  
Do. do. 2d day, 1232  
Do. do. 3d day, 1276

Total gain, \$ 3368

The fourth days drawing was on Saturday. To-morrow will be the fifth, and the first drawn blank will be entitled to 200 dollars.

2000 tickets have been drawn and no prize higher than 200 dollars has yet come up.

Those who are dissatisfied with their purchases in the Charitable Marine Society Lottery may exchange their Tickets, if undrawn, for Tickets in this Lottery, by paying the difference of price.

R. GRAY.

November 7.

#### PUBLIC SALE.

On TUESDAY next will be sold at the Vendue-Store,

50 boxes of Spanish Segars first quality  
25 bls Beef No. 1.  
20 do. Feets.  
25 do. Onions &c.

Nov. 5.

P. G. MARSTELLER.

#### FALL GOODS.

JOS. RIDDLE HAS RECEIVED, Per ships Hero and Caroline, from Liverpool, Woollen and Cotton Goods, Which are opening for sale.

October 19

#### FALL GOODS.

By the Anno, via Baltimore, I have received Part of my Fall Goods, CONSISTING PRINCIPALLY OF Rose and Duffel Blankets, Broad and Narrow low-priced Cloths, Flannels, &c.

John Lloyd.

October 7.

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#### LOTTERY OFFICE.

TICKETS in the Charitable Marine Society Lottery, now drawing, for sale at the office of the Alexandria Daily Gazette, price Five Dolls. & Seventy five cents. A regular list of the drawing will be received and information given gratis to those who purchase tickets.

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